Pending SEZ proposals

†5. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in the country;

(b) the number of such Special Economic Zones whose proposals have been approved, so far;

(c) the number of remaining proposals pending for approval, at present; and

(d) the State-wise status and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) Prior to the coming into force of the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Act, 2005, 15 SEZs were functional. After the enactment of the SEZ Act in February, 2006, 237 Special Economic Zones (SEZs) have been granted formal approvals, out of which 44 SEZs have been notified.

(c) 250 proposals are pending at present.

(d) A Statement is enclosed.

Statement

No. of pending proposals, State-wise

Sl. No.	State/Union Territory	No. of SEZ proposals pending
1.	Andhra Pradesh	16
2.	Delhi	02
3.	Maharashtra	41
4.	Goa	05
5.	Himachal Pradesh	02
6.	Jharkhand	02
7.	Orissa	04

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Sl.No.	State/Union Territory	No. of SEZ proposals pending
8.	Punjab	04
9.	Madhya Pradesh	09
10.	Rajasthan	05
11.	Tamil Nadu	33
12.	West Bengal	22
13.	Assam	01
14.	Chhattisgarh	01
15.	Karnataka	36
16.	Kerala	07
17.	Bihar	01
18.	Gujarat	18
19.	Haryana	23
20.	Uttar Pradesh	17
21.	Chandigarh	01
	TOTAL:	250

Appraisal of implementation of WTO agreements

6. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made appraisal of the benefits accrued to nd the losses suffered by the country after the implementation of the WTO agreements a decade ago; and

(b) the details of increased imports in the country in the context of accumulation of vast amounts of foreign exchange and increase in exports during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH):